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Grandest welcome set

World's No. 1 boxer arriving home tomorrow

By Francis T.J. Oshea
Associated Sports Editor

LOS ANGELES—WHETHER HE is "human" or not, Manny Pacquiao is expected to receive the grandest of all welcomes when he returns to the Philippines tomorrow.

A massive victory parade, a meeting at Malacañang Palace with his closest aides, President Macapagal-Arroyo, and others: It's only for a boxing (international) event like when Pacquiao flies in on a Philippine Airlines plane, government officials close to him said.

In addition, a seat in Congress seems like for the taking, at least in the foreseeable future. Not only that, an administration insider has asked Mr. Arroyo to appoint Pacquiao a peace envoy while education department officials hope his rise in fame would boost their campaign to encourage the country's 12-million-plus out-of-school youths to go to education.

GRANDEST AT



BOXING'S NEW "Golden Boy" Manny Pacquiao gestures during the post-fight press conference at the MGM Grand's Garden Arena in Las Vegas, after he demolished boxing legend Oscar De La Hoya in a stunning TKO. (AP/WIDE WORLD)

JBC bars Devanadera, 2 others from SC race

By Norman Bernardino

THE JUDICIAL AND BAR COUNCIL has disqualified Solicitor General Agnes Devanadera and two others from being included in the short list of nominees to replace Associate Justice Roberto Reyes in January.

The eight-person JBC observed to make its proceedings transparent by allowing the publication of its members' choices for inclusion in the short

JBC BANS AG

Solar Sports scores a 'KO' in pay-per-view

By Gil C. Calabangon Jr.

PHILIPINO BOXING ICON MANNY PACQUIAO not only defied the odds when he crushed Oscar De La Hoya, but the fight more than lived up to his sponsors' expectations, drawing viewership records for a single television event, preliminary data indicated.

Jude Talamante, Solar Sports vice president for sales and marketing, told the Inquirer that Solar had reported an almost doubling of ticket sales compared to Pacquiao's previous bout.

The number of viewing locations ranged by 50 percent, bolstered by a flurry of local government units and military camps paying for the pay-per-view (PPV) package.

SOLAR SPORTS AT

Meralco: No money for refund now

By Abigail L. Ho

CITING SEVERE LACK OF CASH, The Lopez-led Manila Electric Co. is telling the Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC) to allow Meralco to defer the P2.9-billion refund to its customers until next February.

In a 10-page motion for reconsideration, Meralco said it had no cash at all at this time to accommodate the currency exchange rate adjustment (CERA)-related refund.

The company said it had yet to recover close to P7.5 billion in interconnection costs related to transmission cost, like

line taxes and the interline cross-subsidy payment, as the ERC had not yet approved those applications.

Meralco said it was also still recovering generation-related costs for the August 2008 to May 2007 supply months.

"While Meralco advanced payment

MERALCO AT



PALAFOX: I just wanted to tell the truth here. (INQUIRER)

SUBIC FREEPORT ROW

All he wanted was to save trees

By Alvin Pagsa

ALL HE WANTED WAS TO SAVE THE trees inside the Subic Freeport in Zambales. But architect Palafox "Ben" Palafox finds himself undergoing the agony of a schoolboy.

Threats of death and legal action have been coming his way since he exposed plans to cut down endangered trees about a century old in Subic to make way for a hotel resort and casino.

Despite the threats, Palafox, 36, takes refuge in the mountain of support he has been getting from businessmen, environmentalists, the clergy and others.

"I live and breathe environmental protection and my work is a testament to that. I just wanted to tell the truth here," Palafox said in an interview with the Inquirer.

While not a tree-hugger, the environmentalist in Palafox has led him to eschew flying first class and eating imported food

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Cops kill 2 more robbery suspects

By Edson C. Tindoc Jr.

TWO SUSPECTED ROBBERIES BELIEVED to be affiliated with a notorious gang police engaged in a bloody gunfight in Iloilo were killed in Calapan City in another shoot-out yesterday morning.

Senior Supt. Isagani Nolasco, chief of the Philippine National Police Criminal Investigation and Detection Group-National Capital Region (CIDG-NCR), said the two fatalities were members of one of the city's top

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US financial crisis seen as worst since World War II

DESPITE MONTHS OF RESCUE EFFORTS, hundreds of billions of dollars in government spending and an even greater appetite for financial trade, the US economy has only recovered, and at a slower rate than nearly anyone predicted.

This recession, which officially began in December 2007, now appears virtually certain to be the longest downturn—and possibly most severe—since the end of World

War II, as evidenced last week by a demoralizing rate-of-grip reports on jobs, sales and public confidence.

The reports signaled that even after 11 months, more than the entire length of the last two downturns, this recession has only now entered its fourth phase, and economists say the pain will not end soon.

US FINANCIAL AT



P155-M lotto jackpot awaits lucky bettor

By John M. Aurelio

HITTING THE RIGHT NUMBERS IN the 4/49 Super Lotto is just like Manny Pacquiao's winning 100-win-over "Gold in Ray" Oscar De La Hoya on Sunday. For it means the Filipino bettor did tonight out (possibly) all the luck available.

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GMA to seek Qatar advice on peace talks, says Palace

By Nora Quinsada

PRINCESS MANUPAL-ABAYO IS expected to seek Qatar's counsel on the peace negotiations with the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) when she flies to the Middle East on Saturday, according to Manila.

The move would be high on Manu's agenda during her three-day visit to Qatar where she is also scheduled to discuss regional issues with local government officials, Press Secretary Juan Duran said yesterday.

"The purpose of the Qatar trip is to meet with its leaders. Qatar is very strong in its peace dialogue, in the peace process. I think they have been successful in mediating the conflict in Lebanon, therefore, it could be a good opportunity for some exchanges on how the peace process can be extended," Duran said.

Qatar is breaking talks between the Lebanese government and the Hezbollah opposition, which started on Lebanon's recent May 14 election. The clashes led to the murder of its minister, including Philippine-born members.

Manu's arrival in Qatar comes as the government hopes to resume peace negotiations with the MILF, which had called following the

ending of a deal that would have ended an 18-month rebellion for Moro.

"Qatar has been providing an assistance to reaching-out to the MILF. The MILF I understand, has been asking for international governments and Qatar could be one of them. They're doing intense," said Presidential adviser on the Peace Process Marjorie Lopez.

Manu's recently pulled out of the international arena involving the peace process and the MILF ceasefire agreement.

Lopez said the office had a short list of eight nations for the first summit government panel being assembled for the new round of talks.

The move is to be presented to the Cabinet's security board when it meets today in Malacañan, according to Lopez. Manu's had another

appointment. Foreign Undersecretary Rafael Baguio said government is positive for the new attempt at negotiating with the separatist group. In compliance with the Abuja Declaration target, Baguio said, the peace panel "will be formed before Dec. 15."

The President is expected to leave Qatar for Manila on Saturday. She will be back home in the early morning of Dec. 16.



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Samar floods kill boy, displace thousands

By Joey A. Gambetta
Inspector General

THURSDAY CITY—FLOODING brought an increasing rain claimed the life of a 14-year-old boy on Sunday and left thousands of homeless families in three states on Texas coast.

Mayor John Montalano of Appled, one of the bonded towns in Eastern Samoa, identified the body as his father who drowned Tuesday while he was helping a neighbor swim.

The snows of Crest in Eastern Sierra and Los Angeles in Northern Sierra were also sub-merged since the rains started last week.

"Our voluntary fund is depleted," said Omer Mayra Taha Alwan over the phone interview yesterday.

Musallam said the bombing forced the evacuation of more than 1,000 families in 11 villages in his town.

"Eventually all of Spangol is submerged," she adds in a phone interview.

The regional Office of Civil Defense (OCD) said that low pressure was also forecast 75 kilometers north of Noronha, Easter's Island, which is expected to bring more rain on the area.

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But from that test, we're learning while 23 homes in Nagasaki suffered damage, disaster officials also reported yesterday.

Bogdanovic, Mayor Cohen-Olsin said the bad weather began a week ago as a cold front extended to the inland provinces, with the tide reaching the coastal homes. It was caused by the weather of Dec. 5, with the

PCG: Ferry won't be going anywhere

THE WOODS OF THE MOUNTAINS OF THE
Hills were the greatest before Christmas in the
woods of Silverton, New Mexico (Spain).

Philippine Game Guard (PGG) chief Rex Alon Villalobos Tamayo yesterday said it was unlikely the custom vessel owned by Rajpeta Lines Inc. was to be recovered from where it last spied down within sight of Gilmore Island, Luzon.

Tateyoko said Fujiwara had yet to submit the names of the officers or company that would receive the award in the Coast Guard.

"The software to apply for patents has up to now not been used because an application," said Tansure in an interview.

Washburn officials had initially said the vessel would be arrested before leaving Liberia, but that day

Over the weekend, President Rep. Henry Waxman said he doubted the story, in which about 200 passengers died and many more were injured, would be re-

Timony said the delay may be due in cooperation with Belgium's government.

The Princess of the Stars captured all lightning on June 21 after it failed into the eye of typhoon "Frank."

The ferry, carrying from Hualien to Keelung, had over 800 passengers aboard. Of that number, only 10 survived. In the days after the tragedy 200 bodies were recovered.

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China charting new economic policy

BEIJING...WHO WOULD HAVE THOUGHT a few months ago that China might end up remembering 2008 not for the Beijing Olympics or May's Shenzhou spacecraft but for the demise of the country's model of economic development?

Might be the operative word. China's economic momentum, exports and heavy industry running, which all, these have been the drivers of the remarkable growth of 12 percent a year that China has enjoyed since it embarked on market reforms 30 years ago this month, lifting hundreds of millions of people out of poverty in the process.

Placing the economy off exports in favor of domestic consumption driven by services, tourism and services.

But the issue of thousands of factories or export demand programs has dealt a serious blow to China's confidence.

President Hu Jintao has gone so far as to say that facing the challenges posed by the global credit crisis (no-overtures would be a test of the Communist Party's capacity to govern).

China, indeed, makes it needs to stand on its own.

An operations unit meeting held that a meeting starting on Monday of China's top leaders in their economic policy for 2009 will finally get serious about boosting growth.

The scale of the task is daunting. Household consumption has been made up just 35.3 percent of China's gross domestic product, a record low for a major economy in existence. In the 1980s, it was over 50 percent.

By comparison, the US was last year was 72 percent.

And, despite the fact, an economic unit should think of how to boost living, also the pending nationwide expansion of a scheme offering a 12 percent tax break to rural buyers of televisions and washing machines to encourage them to start already looking to replace their own.

The initial pilot program is a handful of provinces but to a 40 percent increase in sales of household appliances.

Getting ready

Raising the income tax threshold, pay cuts for state workers, incentives to housing subsidies and stimulus in income support, and state subsidies for health, education and other social services will continue to get people to spend more money.

But, despite all, if Beijing is to serious about increasing disposable incomes, why is the state budget for health care and education so poor? These are the two largest cost of pocket expenses for most Chinese.



VISITORS stream from a statue of late Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping at his former residence in Beijing, before premier Wen Jiabao. China charts a new economic policy by turning its economy off exports in favor of domestic consumption driven by services.

Public spending on health care and education rises to just 1.8 percent and 2.3 percent of GDP respectively, well below the global average. And only 1 percent of China's new 6 trillion yuan (\$960 billion) stimulus plan is earmarked for the two sectors.

One of the realizations is that China has not had the foresight to plan to ensure that once money is sent out.

It's easy to pour concrete to build a state. It's tougher to create doctors and nurses and administer a medical insurance scheme across a sprawling, developing country, in a real world of making sure the money is not misplaced.

But Zhiyuan, a visiting scholar at the University of California-Los Angeles Center for Chinese Studies, says China has made notable progress by shifting responsibility for the delivery

of social services from township and village to the county level, where personnel are better trained.

By last year, 98 percent of rural residents had established cooperative medical schemes, the said in a recent report.

David Dollar, head of the World Bank office in Beijing, makes a similar point.

"The institutional structures are in place so that the government could become spending quite significant and quite effectively," he said. "It would be both good that stimulus and it would help with the subtle social development agenda."

That much has common sense, but some scholarly wonder whether China has the political setup needed to coordinate a switch from infrastructure to social spending.

More than steel

In a commentary, officials on both sides of the government, not money. And for one's superior, tangible projects are the reason to recognize," Zhang Chen, a Chinese professor at Yale School of Management, said in a syndicated column.

For 28 years, centralizing resources in the hands of the government has served China well. But the private sector, needed to power off sustained growth is lacking. For that, China argues, China must lower barriers and increase the people's sense of financial security.

"Building a nation demands more than steel and concrete," he wrote. **Asians**

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"You the average American, it's going to be devastating for the next six to 12 months," said Howard Beins, chief global economist at the Economic Club group, a research and forecasting firm.

He added: "There are some things particularly hopeful right now, which tells me we're going to cope."

Worst left over

It is an appearance Sunday on "Meet the Press," President-elect Barack Obama promised a stimulus plan "large enough to get the economy moving," but cautioned that "things are going to get worse before they get better."

Some analysts had hoped the worst was over after Obama's inauguration, which opened consumer and shored off credit.

Instead, American stretched next further in November, sending sales at the nation's retailers crashing to the lowest level in more than 50 years and leading the Detroit automakers to record their worst sales in a quarter-century. Manufacturers have not seen conditions this bad since 1982.

Most frightening

The decline is spreading is likely to continue, despite the coming of its primary growth engine, as banks continue to restrict. Still a million Americans, from financial analysts to factory workers, now dissatisfied in November alone. Rarely has a labor downturn of forced such a broad swath of income levels.

Most frightening of all is that the worst jobs may be yet to come. If history is any guide, millions more Americans could lose their jobs before business starts to expand again. **New York Times** News Service

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WASHINGTON, D.C. — PRESIDENT-ELECT Barack Obama failed to give a straight answer when asked in a US talk show on Tuesday (Monday in Manila) whether he had changed to quit smoking.

In a country where cigarettes are responsible for one in five deaths and smoking costs tens of billions of dollars in health care, Obama has been under pressure to set an example by giving up his reported two-decade-old habit.

Appearing on NBC's "Meet the Press" program, interviewer Tim Lincecum told Obama he had decided answering the question during his interview last month with ABC's "48 Hours" history.

Saying that the White House was a no-smoking zone, Lincecum asked Obama, "Have you stopped smoking?"

"I have," Obama replied, looking honestly. "What I said was that there are times when I have fallen off the wagon."

"What a mistake," Lincecum interjected, "that means you haven't stopped."

"Not enough," Obama said. "What I would say is that I have done a terrible job under the circumstances of making myself much healthier. You will not see any statistics of those rules in the White House."

Obama was often observed on the presidential campaign trail drinking fluorinated gases, which helps ease the craving for nicotine. He has tried several times to quit.



PRESIDENT-ELECT Barack Obama speaks to host Tim Lincecum during taping of "Meet the Press" at the NBC Tower in Chicago. Obama, on Saturday, Obama discussed his plan for the economy, the war in Iraq, and his cabinet choices during the taping. AP/WIDE

The 47-year-old presidential elect, who refers often to Joe, 39, won't see his dad at the game and sometimes plays basketball.

His doctor said it may be too late to start, but health, also, began Wednesday a day and was in to arrive as US president.

Donald Pelt, who served from 1978-77, was the last US president to use tobacco as a regular habit.

The White House no-smoking rule was imposed by former first lady Hillary Clinton, now Obama's nominee for secretary of state. Reuters

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of these rates to its power suppliers in 2006 and 2007, recovery thereof was allowed on a staggered basis over a period of two to three years. For the amount of P8.4 billion initially allowed for recovery under the law, 18, 2007 order, the full collection of the same will only be completed by second January 2009," the justices ruled.

The ERC is that order allowed Meralco to recover more than P8.4 billion worth of generation-related costs, resulting in an increase of 36.82 centavos per kilowatt-hour (KWH) in the generation charge component of electricity bills.

The impact of the order hardly felt as, in the same order, the ERC also ordered Meralco to reduce its net settlement surplus from the wholesale electricity spot market (WEM), resulting in a 36.15 centavos per KWH, to offset the generation charge.

The net settlement surplus refers to excess payments made by WEM customers to generators or sellers. This is passed on to end-users, but is later refunded upon re-evaluation.

The ERC in September approved P1.9 billion additional generation cost related under recovery, the remaining amount that had not been confirmed for collection from Meralco's 12 provinces for unaccounted collections August 2006 to May 2007.

This also was P1.7 billion short of what Meralco was expecting.

Big financial burden

The order concerns phase a substantial financial burden on Meralco. To avoid the heavy burden on late or delayed payments, Meralco was constrained to pay or advance payments to its suppliers in behalf of its customers, resulting in under-recovery. "The market said,"

"because of the delay in the recovery of these costs, Meralco was left with no recourse but to avail of short-term financing from financial institutions to meet its payment obligations to its suppliers, as well as finance its capital and operating expenses programs," it added.

To be able to finance the P1.9 billion generation-related refund, Meralco said it would have to obtain additional financing.

Meralco has also started giving P1.8 billion worth of more deposit refunds to its customers, also following an ERC order in September in the past.

This was on top of the company's ongoing P30-million refund for income tax related overcharges incurred from 1994-2001. For 2008 alone, more than P1.1 billion was given in return to its large commercial and industrial customers—the only customer groups that had yet to receive their refunds.

Liabilities falling due

Meralco likewise had more than P1 billion in outstanding liabilities falling due next month.

"The mounting obligations, coupled with other obligations of Meralco falling due at the same time, such as its timely payments to its power suppliers, severely limits Meralco's capacity to implement the ERC's refund within the coming months," Meralco said.

"However, to address this matter, Meralco is hoping to refinance and roll over these maturing obligations to various significant banks. It is expected that the roll-over will be completed by January 2009," it added.

Even without the ERC refund, Meralco has projected negative cash flow for December 2008 and January 2009, at P1.2 billion and P4.8 billion, respectively.

Given these reasons, Meralco urged the ERC to allow it to start the first refund not earlier than January 2009.

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15,000 new voters register in Metro

By Christine L. Alvar

AROUND 15,000 METROMANs in western Metro registered in the Commission Elections during the first week of the registration period for qualified voters, a sign that Filipinos are enthusiastic about the 2010 elections, an official of the poll body said yesterday.

According to COMELEC spokesperson Jansen Jimenez, the turnout in the metropolis was better than expected, with the City of Manila having the highest number of registrants, with 5,559 applicants.

Quezon City was second with 1,865 applicants. It was followed by 1,347 in Marikina, 1,331 in Las Piñas and 1,279 in Calabarzon.

The figures included not only

first-time voters, but those applying for registration, regular or to correct their information in COMELEC records, Jimenez said.

He noted that the poll body was "pleasant" with the turnout, especially since the bulk of the 10,000 applicants were new voters or young people.

"The influx of registrants in this early period shows the people's renewed faith in the electoral process. There is a telling sign that the Filipino people, most especially the youth, are getting to go to the polls and thus is continuing to guard their vote for the country's democracy," Jimenez explained.

The COMELEC is noting at least three million registrants, the number of first-time and youth voters they expect to participate in the 2010 polls.

From what he has observed, Filipinos are eager to register and participate in the 2010 polls where they will elect a new batch of leaders, COMELEC Commissioner Rene Sarmiento said.

"If congressmen are reading the signs of the times and are wiser, I think this is a promise to push through with the elections in 2010," instead of Charter change, he said.

Jimenez said qualified voters can register with the COMELEC until Dec. 15, 2008. They should present valid identification cards such as an employer's ID, postal ID, student ID or driver's license or other government-issued ID.



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EU: Time to push Mugabe to quit

BRUSSELS—THE TIME HAS come to increase pressure on Zimbabwe's President Robert Mugabe to step down so that his country can move forward, EU foreign policy chief Peter Manderlin said on Monday.

"The moment has arrived to put us in the position for Mugabe to step down and give the opportunity once again to the people of Zimbabwe to get their life together and begin to move the country forward," Manderlin said.

EU foreign ministers in Brussels.

"The important thing is the political consensus now," he said. Manderlin's comments came the day after Zimbabwean officials blamed the country's election collapse, which has costed nearly 600 lives, on European sanctions imposed on Mugabe's regime.

The assembled European Union foreign ministers were set to tighten economic sanctions on Monday, amid worries over the debt-ridden humanitarian situation and political instability in the country.

They were to add 15 names to the EU's sanctions list of 144 members of the Zimbabwean regime—which already includes Mugabe and his wife Grace, who

are banned from entering EU nations and whose European assets have been frozen.

The EU ministers were also set to stress their "deep concern at the deteriorating humanitarian situation in Zimbabwe, particularly as a result of the cholera epidemic and the continuing violence against supporters of the opposition Movement for Democratic Change (MDC)," according to a draft statement seen by AFP.

The statement also calls for "robust and viable power sharing agreements without delay."

Zimbabwe has in political force since elections in March when the opposition named a coalition of parliament from Mugabe's party and opposition leader Morgan Tsvangirai pushed the election to a second round in a presidential poll.

Though in political of a new off election in June, mounting claims by Mugabe, after defeat of his opposition supporters were killed in attacks which the ruling ZANU-PF party once accused of orchestrating.

A press-sharing deal between Mugabe and Tsvangirai, agreed in Harare on Sept. 15, is yet to be implemented amid mounting over the distribution of its activities.

The 27 EU member states in October that they would add names to their pressure campaign on Mugabe's regime.

The cabinet's draft plan also discussed the "unacceptable" decision by Zimbabwe to join a group of seven international members—including former US president Jimmy Carter, ex-FBI chief Bill Clinton and eight, ex-FBI chief Michael, the wife of Nelson Mandela—over moving the country into state.



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Passing on: The year's notable deaths

PHILIP—SOME OF THE LEADING personalities who have died around the world this year.

• **Edward Hillier**, manager of Mount Everest, in his native New Zealand, aged 88, (Nov. 11).

• **Chen Guang**, Chinese politician, aged 64, in his adopted country of Ireland, (Nov. 17).

• **Charles H. Johnson**, author of "The Black Book," in his native New York, aged 92, (Nov. 17).

• **George H. W. Bush**, 41st president of the United States, aged 92, in his native Texas, (Nov. 17).

• **Forrest B. Smith**, 92nd president of the United States, aged 92, in his native Texas, (Nov. 17).

• **The head of the Greek Orthodox Church**, Archbishop Chrysostomos, aged 90, in his native Greece, (Nov. 17).

• **Reinhold Messner**, 65-year-old mountaineer, aged 65, in his native Italy, (Nov. 17).

• **James H. Hunt**, 75-year-old politician, aged 75, in his native North Carolina, (Nov. 17).

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Manny going for KO when Oscar gave up

'I could envision how the fight would end'

By Richard E. Ocejo
 Associate Sports Editor

LOS ANGELES—THEY'RE WAITING to see even the Parolito clown, starting a soft golden glow on the freeway that spilled out of Las Vegas and rolled off the way to Los Angeles.

The placid atmosphere that followed the seemingly endless stretch of hotel and casino was by now muted to the soft hum of left-over energy inside a bar intended to distract from the image of the anticipated king of boxing's mythical power for ground defense.

Inside the Sun, Manny Pacquiao, head still swiveling from the devastating punch he administered on Oscar De La Hoya on Saturday, threw a couple of sudden punches as he talked about what could have happened had the fight that night not ended where it did.

"I would have continued on to the next," Pacquiao said, his mouth open, his hand on his head, his back bent from the world's pain.

His right.

"Before the count round started, I could see him on his back," he said. "I could see him on his back."

His right. Pacquiao said he would deliver on that.

All followed up for the kill.

Pacquiao said he had been all over the fight, the hit, the boxing legend's leg clearly showing him, his body being free and his body being on the ropes as it showed, vision from that last look that it was going to stop.

Eventually, De La Hoya's trainer asked when they would be sure of the fight and Pacquiao had his answer: a solid argument for the title of boxing king, but he was a champion right now, and he was a champion.

The fight was emotional as it was brutal, according to Pacquiao. It was also a war.

"Before the fight, I could already envision how it would end," Pacquiao said, smiling.

would end with him raised high by his team members as he pumped his fist. "I could see it," he said. "I could see it."

Getting a hit in the head, Pacquiao said he felt definitely satisfied De La Hoya's job by one month, putting the pressure on the Golden Boy right as the opening bell. And De La Hoya, who



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It's Archers' turn in PCCL

By Carol P. Taylor

FROM DEBUTER TO DEBATE:
There's no more waiting for La Salle's turn through its long list of sports to make its debut in the PCCL. The school's first intercollegiate sport, archery, is set to begin in 2010. The school's first intercollegiate sport, archery, is set to begin in 2010. The school's first intercollegiate sport, archery, is set to begin in 2010.



The La Salle Green Archers with Sam Long (standing, second from left) and Coach (standing, far right).

"We demand that we see the best in the world," says Coach Long. "We demand that we see the best in the world." The school's first intercollegiate sport, archery, is set to begin in 2010. The school's first intercollegiate sport, archery, is set to begin in 2010.

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Pacman 101: How to win the big fight



ABOUT THE ARTS: Pacman the ghost is a character from the children's television show "Pac-Man and the Ghostly Friends Show." The character is a green ghost who can eat other ghosts. The cartoon illustration shows Pacman with a mischievous grin, surrounded by other ghosts.

SPORTSWATCH

UGBA champ known today
The University of the Philippines (UP) is known today as the UGBA champion. The school's first intercollegiate sport, archery, is set to begin in 2010. The school's first intercollegiate sport, archery, is set to begin in 2010.

Puno inducts POC officers Friday



By Jone Mares
THE PUNO CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE will induct its new set of officers with Supreme Court Chief Justice Benjamin Cerda today to inaugurate the new year.

"We have a lot of work ahead of us," said Cojuangco, who received a fresh five-year mandate as POC president after winning over Macapagal by the slimmest majority, 20-19, during the polls last June 28.

Just 2 days for Fore by Four Inv't'l

WITH ITS FOUR CHAMPIONSHIP
events all spread up, the annual multi-sport event, organized by the Office of the Eagle Ridge Golf and Country Club will have just two days to go before the start of the tournament.

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Three players will be taking home a trophy this year after the tournament. The school's first intercollegiate sport, archery, is set to begin in 2010. The school's first intercollegiate sport, archery, is set to begin in 2010.

SPC 'Pantasio' derby set

ANOTHER EXPOSURE TO BURNING
between the SPC and the PBA is set for the SPC 'Pantasio' derby. The school's first intercollegiate sport, archery, is set to begin in 2010. The school's first intercollegiate sport, archery, is set to begin in 2010.



SPC/PANTASIO VICTORY: They took home the trophy after defeating the PBA in the SPC 'Pantasio' derby.

Former PBA stars draw crowd to Jr NBA clinic

THE JUNIOR NBA OPEN CLINIC
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Fil-Am golf: Golden Oats Fil A champs, too

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Bernard sinks 100-m freestyle mark

PHILADELPHIA—JAMARLUS BARNES, 21, won the 100-meter freestyle at the 2008 U.S. Olympic Trials in Philadelphia on Sunday, setting a new world record of 46.36 seconds to beat the 100-meter freestyle mark of 46.36 seconds.

SPORTS

Blake's late 3 powers Blazers past Raptors

Celtics post 12th straight victory

TORONTO—JAMARLUS BARNES scored 28 points and Steve Blake made a clutch 3-pointer with 4 seconds left as the Portland Trail Blazers spoiled Toronto's coach Jay Watson's home debut with a 96-87 victory on Sunday.

Watson's 10th season as a coach, high 24 and blocked six shots and Chris Bosh added 19 points, but it wasn't enough to give Toronto his first win.

A trade by Portland Day pulled the Blazers from 19-10 to 20-10 with 49 seconds left, but Bosh stepped back to sink a 14-foot jumper with 27 seconds to go. Blake then drained his 3 over Jose Calderon, and Bosh missed his final shot. Blake finished with 19 points.

Calderon had 13 points and 11 assists for Toronto. The 34-year-old Toronto, a former Canadian national team player and coach, became the NBA's first Canadian head coach on Wednesday when

he replaced Don Nelson as coach.

In Indianapolis, Ray Allen scored a season-high 35 points to lead Boston past Indiana, 122-117 (AP), and punk the Celtics' winning streak to 12 straight—also longest since 1996.

Brian Grant scored 17 points, 20 rebounds and five assists, while Phoenix had 17 points and eight rebounds and Blake Howard had 11 points for Boston (20-21).

Memphis Grizzlies led Indiana with a season-high 25 points. Tony Granger scored 28 points, but lost 7-1 at 22:30 on Sunday.

Indiana is one of two teams to beat Boston this season, and the Pacers nearly pulled it off again by shooting 54 percent from the field against the Blazers' top defensive unit. To win the last game, the Celtics have allowed 100 points.

In New York, Chris Doherty had 25 points and nine assists, Toronto

Richardson scored 21, and New York blew most of a 29-point lead before holding on to win a three-game losing streak via a 104-92 win over Detroit.

Wilson Chandler and AJ Haining won the 3-pointers for the Knicks, who dropped the Pistons to 0-5 on Monday.

Harington finished with 16 points and Chandler had 17 for the Knicks, who needed their first game win of the season. David Lee had 12 points and 18 rebounds at all but one point more from New York's starters.

Stephen Pricer had 22 points and 10 rebounds for the Pistons, who fell to 7-8. Allen finished with 16 points, Jordan and Aaron Adkins finished with 17 points for the Pistons, who won 13-11 in the first day of the week.

Complete results: NY Knicks 104, Detroit 92; Portland 106, Boston 102; Indiana 122, 121; LA Lakers 106, Memphis 95. **AP**



WILSON CHANDLER blocks a shot by Pistons' Allen Haining in the Knicks' 104-92 victory over the Pistons in an NBA game at Madison Square Garden in New York, Sunday.

CHINESE PROSPECT

Sun makes debut in Lakers' win over Bucks

LOS ANGELES—CHEN CHEN, 20, made his first National Basketball Association appearance for the Los Angeles Lakers on Sunday, scoring four points in the Lakers' 105-82 victory over Milwaukee.

NBA Most Valuable Player Kobe Bryant and all the other Lakers came out to defeat the Bucks in the victory.

Bryant led the way with 28 points and Derek Fisher clipped in 20 for

the Lakers, who led from start to finish for the second straight game.

He scored a season-high three points in the fourth quarter when he took the court with 5:34 to play in the fourth quarter.

He, who made NBA season his first season, had been injured as well as a foot injury, but he was activated by the Lakers for the first time only because Kobe Bryant was ill.

He scored only at the end of the

game, but he was not in the game for the first time.

He played 5:14 minutes and scored four points on 2-of-3 shooting with four fouls and two turnovers.

He finished with 4 points and 1 rebound.

"Maybe the first 10 minutes," he said. "But when I got the first ball I calmed down."

The son, who is the first game for a long time... to last three minutes

and I found a rhythm." Sun, a six-foot-eight (2.06 meters) guard, was originally selected by the Lakers in the second round of the 2007 NBA draft, but was not given a contract or an invitation to training camp last year.

The 21-year-old took a two-year contract with the Lakers in August after averaging 6.4 points and 2.5 assists a game for the Chinese national team in the Beijing Olympics.

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SUN CHEN in his first Lakers uniform.



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Ogilvy urges Australian tour execs to lure Tiger

SYDNEY—AUSTRALIAN PGA champion Geoff Ogilvy has urged tour executives to push ahead with an ambitious plan to lure Tiger Woods back to Australia.

Woods, last seen playing in Australia after the 1996 Presidents Cup in Melbourne, has not been back since.

"There has been a lot of work done along those lines. It's a possibility. We just have to wait and see," he said. The Australian says he would still be working on a financial plan.

"The vision for the tournament is to make it a premier event, not just a local event," he said.

"That's what Tiger is all about. There has been a range of ideas about where to lure Tiger, including Tiger's Ogilvy, who he would be the first professional who has been in history in the Australian PGA on Sunday and to opportunity by Woods would provide an enormous boost to the struggling Australian PGA."

"We could make some pretty good money out of it, it would be a great marketing opportunity," he said. The PGA of Australia says it is not planning to lure Woods.

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Stenson shines in Sun City tilt

SUN CITY, SOUTH AFRICA—Rory Stenson, 21, won the Sun City Golf tournament on Sunday, defeating the defending champion, the 21-year-old Stenson, by one stroke.

Stenson, who won the 2007 Open Championship, had a 10-hole lead in the final round, but he was overtaken by the 21-year-old Stenson, who won the 2007 Open Championship.

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SPORTSWATCH

Ota replaces Seve

BARCELONA—SPAIN'S JOSE MARIA OLIVERA has replaced Seve Ballesteros, who recently underwent brain surgery, as captain of the European Ryder Cup team.

The two-time major winner stepped in after Ballesteros, who had won the 1997 Open Championship, was injured in a car accident on Sunday.

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Background System Events

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It is now interesting to learn that the plant is built at PFO's oldest new facility in southern California, in Long Beach International Trade Zone, that is one of the largest in the country.

In an interview, Inagaki/Jones/J & Co., company general manager, said the plant is scheduled to go online in July 2009.

It will also introduce in the country high-quality, low-cost, high-strength steel products, as compressed natural gas is an alternative source to liquid fuel petroleum gas.

"This new facility will add to our existing steel-making facility [located in the Los Angeles area] and will produce a wide range of steel products," he will be fully automated and will produce about 100,000 tonnes of broad flange."

Crusik said that due to rising steel prices in the past year, CIOA had delayed the completion of the project to early 2009.

"With four plants going down, we decided to advance the project by three months," he said. "The building is already under construction and the equipment is in the way of the steel mill."

Crusik's PFOA/Inagaki/Jones/J & Co. is the only in the USF is operating at a capacity

Chevron
to invest
\$20M in
ethanol
venture

By E. J. Connelley, DVM

CHEVON will phase in, increasing \$20 million over the next two years in infrastructure facilities that will allow it to offer gasoline with 10 percent ethanol.

On the addition of the launch of the Calson K20 with Tefaco's product, brand manager De mure Timbony said the solution would be used for improvements that would enable Chevrolet vehicles to have the enhanced

The oil firm had secured from Iran an oilfield supply deal that will cover its three-month inventory.

By the end of the year, he said, 70-75 cultural stations should already be offering EFM with Nickelodeon. This number would hit about 400 by February next year.

"We just continued at a small quantity (of ethanol) here, but we'll be importing a bigger quantity by next year. By next year, we'll be importing on a bigger scale, getting bulk supply that will be shipped directly to our biorefinery in Fushouan and Tianqiao," he explains.

"The \$28-million investment to join by the end of two years. We'll invest [more later], depending on the increase of the regulated brand," he added.

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Through the joint, International Card Corporation (ICC) has been combining impressive results in 8 weeks (worldwide) since opening the most requested meeting and bought after credit card in the country with unparalleled achievements and innovations. ICC also is able to give the best in providing excellent customer service. It anticipates a new record for all of 2006.

Lectures for MCE, arising from the joint venture between Philippines Banking giant Metropolitan Bank & Trust Company (Metrobank) and Australia and New Zealand Banking Group (ANZ), one of the top banks and credit card issuers in Australia and New Zealand.

The pairs rankings between competitors, which started in 2003, suffered a new era for UCL, then known as Uniqlo, and caused remarkable changes in the lineups of credit cards in the Philippines. As of September 2008, UCL's nationwide players and new cards number 3 in terms of cards in force, controlling 9.9% of the local credit card issues in the country today.

MCC seems to be different. This message translates to the creation of strong food-packing efforts and the strengthening of relationships with customers. Over the years, MCC's initiatives include the "50 Free" campaign, where cardholders get instant perks and privileges just by using their Mastercard-based credit cards. The CardLife facility shows cardholders in need of instant cash for life's big moments of affordable loans.

More and more Hispanics are now entitled to get a MasterCard Credit Card. Cardholders enjoy ample credit limits and acceptance in over 41 million establishments worldwide, and get the chance to participate in promotions such as the recent Adidas, even your campaign, whose publicity has reached an untold number of consumers.

MGCI's first mission is to act as the Client's trusted Visa and MasterCard monetary strategy consultant. In the market for new business, MGCI's Client Consultation team will be involved with identifying prospects. The research team of The Pittsburgh Market Center will assist in the card that answers the needs and desires of many Philadelphia-area business leaders. MGCI's Client Consultation team will be involved in the card that answers the needs and desires of many Philadelphia-area business leaders. MGCI's Client Consultation team will be involved in the card that answers the needs and desires of many Philadelphia-area business leaders. MGCI's Client Consultation team will be involved in the card that answers the needs and desires of many Philadelphia-area business leaders.

With a deep understanding of what customers need, BEY challenges the status quo by introducing other innovative products like M'you Mineral and with the lowest interest in the market and M'you MineralCare which offers an unusual value for BEY through the Research

Program and the Support Transfer Facility were further enhanced to continue providing the best service to MFC's customers.

Another element of Merchants Card Corporation's success is its support of local businesses. By providing merchants the technology to accept credit cards, local establishments can keep open their doors to more profitable customers. This merchant-stimulating business of MCC is another service provided as it helps in the development of local establishments.

Indeed, MCI has grown half the size of the current 140-person group through its cellular innovations and revolutionary products, with its stable foundation and progressive growth as a 501(c)(3) company. Multidisk Cell Corporation will continue to grow its size and success in the years to come.



Cheers to more fruitful years

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BY FRANCIS DRAKE

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CONCEPTS SUDOKU

By David Green

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HOW TO PLAY SUDOKU

Fill the grid so that every column, every row and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 to 9.

Tip: Try to place the numbers 1 and 9 first.

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LIFESTYLE *Wellness*

Top fitness trends for 2009

From page C1

EXERCISE for the elderly
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from. School rationing should be part of a campaign for healthy meals.

Personal training

Personal training is an important part of health and fitness centers to make sure a client adheres to the program, and safety.

Beginner exercisers should have at least a few sessions with a trainer to their house the basic exercises and program which they can do later on their own.

Strength training

Strength training is important in maintaining or increasing one's strength, including the body's increasing metabolism. Include at least twice a week of strength training.

Use weights, dumbbells, resistance machines, medicine or stability balls.

Core training

Core training improves one's balance and functional strength.

You must train your core muscles which include the lower back, abdominal muscles, pelvic muscles and hip muscles to be able to perform your daily activities, exercises and sports. Use one-on-one personal training or the BOSU balls and foam rollers.

Special programs for older adults

Personal programs should have physical

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al activities that answer their needs.

Exercise programs for older adults include low-impact cardio classes with special equipment, light intensity strength training, balance training, and core training.

Pilates

Pilates is a core training exercise which involves the upper and lower body. It teaches proper breathing techniques.

Pilates promotes various exercise options. You can either join a class or sign up for a one-on-one instruction. Either you exercise the entire body. Pilates machines do not use Pilates. Pilates class also offers most Pilates to fitness classes combining Pilates with other related body exercises.

Stability ball

Stability ball training gained popularity because of the exercise variety and benefits it gives beginners and advanced exercisers. Almost all fitness clubs and exercise studios include this training for improved stability, balance, strength and flexibility.

One of the most popular and effective exercises using a stability ball that you can do even at home are lower abdominal exercises on top of the ball. It is effective on your abdominal muscles since it provides a pre-stretch before it contracts.

Sport-specific training

Sport-specific exercises designed to improve sports performance are becoming a trend.

This year, most Pilgrims have joined sports and workouts. The number of sports matches has also increased.

Balance training

Balancing from getting strength and endurance, improving balance is a fitness goal. Balance training can be equipment-based (use of BOSU or stability boards) or class-based (yoga, Pilates and tai chi).

Yoga promotes balance and flexibility since it stretches bones and proper breathing.

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Company campaigns for quality life

CANON ELUVISAR AND CHERBIT
Pinky Tolentino established Qualitas in 2002. With the company name meaning for "Quality in Every," Tolentino has led the crusade of reaching Filipino consumers to be "wiser in the quality of water we use, the products medicine being sold, the nutritional value of the food not on the market, maintaining the environment and campaigning against injustice," she says.

Qualitas is a leading authority for food, water, pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, toys, dairy products. It is a member of the American Chemical Society and American Association of Analytical Chemists, and American Association of Dental Clinicians.

Attending the Qualitas event recently where Agriculture Secretary Arroyo, Auto, Auto, Auto, Auto,



Myer Martinez Fernandez, Chairman
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Chamorro, Rika and Bing Bato,
Emmanuel and Lingling Yoo, Sari Yip,
Richard Tio, Richard Gregory Jones.

Dante Fernandez and Myer Martinez
A special event was given to
celebrate the 10th anniversary of the
Cancer Support Group of the
Philippines.



FERREIRA and Pinky Tolentino
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Emmanuel and Lingling Yoo, Pinky Tolentino,
Emmanuel and Sari Yip.



WELFARE with Richard Arroyo, Sari Yip, Sari Yip.

Celebrity tennis for a cause

THE FIRST CELEBRITY RUN
Double Tennis for a Cause was recently held at the Rockwell Club Indoor Tennis Courts.

Supreme Court Justice Presidencia Velasco and Rep. Nemesio Garcia Diaz of the 4th District of Quezon City played alongside business magnates like Lopez, president of ABS-CBN Publishing, and Jose Reyes Linde, CEO of ITI Uniflex corporate group. Adding sparkle to the event were dance hip performers, singer Nina, award-winning actor Claryn Pa Pineda, model stars and fitness guru R. Mandy Ochoa, Rep. Garcia, Gabriela Garcia, Sari Yip, Diego Fernandez and Emilio Garcia and Sari Yip.

There were also hip games for kid tennis balls, among them, Mini and Giant Tennis, Tennis balls.

Initiated as Tennis for a Cause, it had a



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beneficiary Shantel Livelihood and Sari Yip, an organization that makes and funds livelihood projects for urban, indigenous, many among them disabled. Led by Sari Yip, the Shantel team came to fullness to the event.

"Celebrity Run Tennis was sponsored by Double Marketing, headed by Maria De Torres and Olympia, with PhilFina.com. The Tennis also leads Tennis for a Cause. For more information, please call 0909-0909-0909."



JEAN-PIERRE (center) with Sari Yip and Sari Yip.



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Run and recycle

By Anna K. Jordan

IF THE ESTIMATED 3 billion cell phones tossed in the trash each year, it can reduce greenhouse gas in the environment to a level that's equivalent to taking four million cars off the streets. Approximately 240,000 tons of cell materials will also be conserved.

Nokia and T-Mobile have the largest wireless cell phone recycling scheme in the world. The company that aims to make mobile phone owners more responsible with their phones.

In the "Nokia Run for the Environment," Nokia and T-Mobile have teamed up to create a mobile phone recycling program. The program is a run for the environment, where participants can earn a Nokia gift for every 100 phones they recycle.

There are many ways to recycle your old mobile phone. You can take it to a local recycling center, or you can mail it to Nokia. Nokia will then recycle the phone and give you a Nokia gift.

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LISTEN UP: Nokia and T-Mobile Run for the Environment gives you the chance to win a Nokia gift for every 100 phones you recycle.

WARMING UP before the fun begins



Nokia heads environment campaign on used cell phones, batteries, accessories

BY DONALD B. HARRIS
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Abstract

campaign to make off in the right direction. We need to make a strong statement, and winning is the thing to do is a large community of individuals working together," Thomas said.

Currently, there are around 5,000 Native Caribbeans in 85 countries.

In the Philippines, Nida's role in anti-smoking campaign for social responsibility will also soon launch sports TV campaign with and green advocates such as show-biz celeb Amy N and numerous sports hall of fame legends.

Wormers were collected Nodda 1400 (Shib. Nodda 5120) and Nodda 5129 (Krasn. Main) for the first, second and third phases respectively. Twenty crabs were also given to the oldest and youngest runners, 66 and 68 years old, respectively, who each received a full bag, small, top.



Multi-media reporting manager **Hoi Ling Tan** sportsjournalist and **Hermes** author **Jenna Logan**

THERE'S A NEW FLAVOR AND FITNESS shop in town that's unlike a regular gym. Alita, Hagi is a boutique-style health studio offering fitness programs using a multidisciplinary, scientific and clinical approach.

It offers the Chinese method of physical



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Modern, sleek Christmas

Breathe soul into fiberglass

By Mary C. Rodriguez
Contributor

UNWITTINGAL, local designer and stylist, has created a modern, sleek interpretation of the Christmas tree for the Christmas season at Diamond Mall. Think metal and fiberglass.

When children walk in to the lobby, they notice that they'd like to be photographed by the "red velvet tree," which is actually a modern interpretation of the Christmas tree.

Rodriguez believes that the decoration should complement the interior design. To complement the lobby's modern look, she created a modern tree.

But a Christmas tree is not just a tree. It is decorated with lights and ornaments. To bring out the red velvet, the tree is decorated with red, white, and gold lights and ornaments. The tree is decorated with red, white, and gold lights and ornaments. The tree is decorated with red, white, and gold lights and ornaments.

"We have a great tree," says Rodriguez of the modern tree. "It's a great tree."

A modern interpretation of the Christmas tree, made of metal, fiberglass, and lights.



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"They are as big as trees," says Rodriguez. "It's different from other trees which are lit from top to bottom with a tree on top. This is a tree on top."

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A year for more jobs in TV and the movies. I also hope for a greater involvement of the government in the industry. I wish to see more development in the industry. I wish to see more development in the industry. I wish to see more development in the industry.

Wish List

He enjoys being a girl

By Reynold Sin Diego Jr.

CHITING WITH OGIE ALONSO, it's like getting a glimpse into the life of a TV star. In his role as "Ogie" in the new TV series "The Prince of Persia," he gets a sneak peek into his transformation as "Ogie" in the new TV series "The Prince of Persia." He gets a sneak peek into his transformation as "Ogie" in the new TV series "The Prince of Persia."

Ogie has no qualms about suffering for his art because he is simply rewarded every time he hears the and most come laughing after each scene.

On Board, Pegue, Wangue and daughter Lela, 11, and Leah, 10, are just some of the people who are part of the "Ogie" family.

When he showed his pictures to Lela, she was so proud of him. She was so proud of him. She was so proud of him. She was so proud of him.

on hand, there's no one else in the room.

"But I'm also a clown at heart," he says.

The director, Lela, is taking him from his role in the movie "The Prince of Persia" to his role in the movie "The Prince of Persia."

"When I read the script for 'The Prince of Persia,' I was so into it. I was so into it. I was so into it. I was so into it."

Ogie's story

with the role."

He also made sure that his portrayal would be as close to the real Ogie as possible.

"I think it's a great role to do. I think it's a great role to do. I think it's a great role to do. I think it's a great role to do."

Taking ground
 The weekly work in the Ogie T-pug show "Bubble Gum" proved to be good training ground for him.

"People don't know that we have regular workshops on 'Bubble Gum'."

As a result, he's now more comfortable in doing "The Prince of Persia" role.

E-mail: boyabunda@gmail.com



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Making 'Himala' footage at UP

THE UP FILM INSTITUTE HAS IN ITS possession previous footage of the making of "The Best Asia Movie Film of All Time" (as declared by an online poll conducted by the Cable News Network).

The 25-minute raw footage, filmed by UP students on the set with a Super 8 camera, will be screened on Dec. 10, 7 p.m., at the Inland Rural Gallery of the UP Film Institute in Diliman, Quezon City.

"The latest footage is top film, showing the 3,000-strong crowd. (Lead actor) Matt Azevedo will also be seen preparing for his monologue," said Nancy Llanera, executive producer of the UP Film Institute. Reynold Sin Diego Jr.

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KEVIN REYNOLDS, ON "THE DAY THE EARTH SWORE HELL," has sworn himself "the best on experience in capture in real time of what people are living with today. A very private concern that the way we are living may have disastrous consequences for the planet. I find this movie a kick-in-the-pants to our relationship with Nature."

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Knowledgeable reporting

THE YEAR 2009 has been an extremely busy but fulfilling year for the Philippine Film Festival. The festival has been an extremely busy but fulfilling year for the Philippine Film Festival. The festival has been an extremely busy but fulfilling year for the Philippine Film Festival.



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Sydney shoot

FROM MANILA, ACTRESS MARION FOURNIER and model NIKI DE CAUGH recently flew to Sydney, Australia, for a two-day photo shoot for a jeans brand.

New York-based fashion label Emporio (Vogue, GQ) was commissioned for Jay Black's "Steel" (in and for now) line pictured in the San Francisco. Backing him up was a team of Australian models.

"Marion and NIKI's impeccable work ethic and toughness made them the ideal big models," said a statement from the studio. The duo also had a hard and good session with the photographer in Sydney.



Pets' fitness overhaul

DOGS AND TIMID PETS ARE PUT ON A six-month health and fitness overhaul with veterinarian Julia Howell and animal nutrition clinic Petco in the brand new series "Downsize My Pet."

She studies each pet owner to make sure



their overweight pet's eating habits while creating a plan to help the pet lose weight. The show premieres on the Animal Planet on Dec. 11 and airs every Monday thereafter at 11 p.m., with encore screenings at 8 p.m.

Challenging lines

Starting this month and January (Thursdays at 10 p.m.), the new National Geographic Channel (8 p.m.) series "World's Toughest Place" takes viewers into the world's most dangerous and toughest places. The series is a journey to a planet's most dangerous places in a matter of power glass tables that need to be replaced.

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Journey of hope

Dr. David J. 36-year-old Indonesian filmmaker with a rare medical condition that had halted local doctors for nearly 20 years—he has life-threatening, brain-like growths covering his body.

"Fall Man, Fall Man" chronicles David's journey of hope, from the time documentary report Dr. Anthony Compton first learned of his condition to the investigation of possible treatments.

The special airs on Discovery Channel on Dec. 14 at 9 p.m., with encore screenings on Dec. 14 at 8 p.m., 8 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Theory of everything

Twenty years after he wrote the best-selling science book, "A Brief History of Time," Prof. Sir Stephen Hawking examines just how far our understanding of the universe has developed in "Stephen Hawking and the Theory of Everything" on Dec. 13 at 2 p.m. on Discovery Channel.

It addresses Hawking's fascination with the questions: How did the universe begin? How will it end? What was there before it?



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